



Endorsed Minutes of the eighty-third meeting of the Governing Board including decisions held on 15 February 2022, from 12:00-15:00 CET by teleconference

Present:

Members: Barbara Lison (President, Chair) Antonia Arahova (President-elect); Perry Moree (Treasurer); Adjoa Boateng; Kirsten Boelt; Jonathan Hernández Pérez; Yasuyo Inoue; Nthabiseng Kotsokoane; Halo Locher; Mandla Ntombela.

Secretary of the GB: Gerald Leitner, IFLA Secretary General, non-member

Staff: Helen Mandl, Deputy Secretary General & Director Member Services; Stephen Wyber, Director Policy & Advocacy; Esther Doria, Project Coordination Assistant (minutes).

1. General Business

1.1 Welcome and apologies

There were apologies for absence from Ayub Khan. All other GB Members joined during the course of the meeting. The President thanked all involved in the preparation of the papers.

1.2. Adoption of the agenda

GB 22-02-1.2

The agenda was adopted.

1.3. Statement of interests

There were no statements of interests.

1.4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

1.4.1 Draft minutes including closed sessions of the Governing Board meeting on 13-15 December 2021

GB 22-02-1.4.1

1.4.2 Draft minutes of the Governing Board meeting on 13-15 December 2022

GB 22-02-1.4.2

The minutes were presented. The President-elect requested that the reference to the November GB meeting under 7.1 be changed to reflect that she had withdrawn her candidacy. It was noted that this information was already included in the minutes of the November GB, but this further detail would be added to the notes from December also.

It was requested that under 2.1 of the minutes, the full list of candidates for the three positions on the Finance and Risk Committee be added.

A number of GB members noted the inaccuracy that the titles of the minutes did not reflect the differences in their content. It was agreed to talk about one document being minutes with discussions, and the other minutes with decisions.

The PC Chair requested that there should be clearer reference to a request from the GB for more detailed information about membership information to be shared in the minutes around paper 3.4.3.1,

including the phrase ‘GB Members also requested that more detailed information about membership trends be shared’.

The PC Chair requested that relevant text in the minutes under 6.2 be replaced by ‘the PC Chair sent an e-mail to the President which was discussed in the meeting, and asked what is the process by which GB members can feed into the appraisal process of the Secretary General.’

With these amendments the minutes were accepted.

Resolution: That the Governing Board accepts the minutes as a true and accurate record of the eighty-second meeting of the Governing Board with discussions held on 13,14 and 15 December 2021 from 12:00 – 14:30 CET as a hybrid meeting by teleconference call and at the IFLA offices in The Hague.

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2. Governance

2.1 Finance and Risk Committee Update

Oral report

The Treasurer noted that after an extension of the deadline for the role of external advisor to the Finance and Risk Committee, a candidate had come forward.

Resolution: It was agreed that the current members of the Finance and Risk Committee would discuss this candidacy first, and then put forward a recommendation to the GB as a whole, which would be sent by the President for approval.

2.2 IFLA Handbook

2.2.1 Handbook paper from PC Chair

GB 22-02-2.2.1

The President proposed to discuss the papers together, with the PC Chair invited to present her paper first. She did so, highlighting the goal of ensuring checks and balances to ensure stronger transparency within the organisation, and asked for a vote on each recommendation one by one. The Secretary General then presented the other GB paper for this item.

The President then underlined the nature of the Handbook as a non-regulatory document, and the desire most recently expressed by members of the Professional Council to have access to some elements of the Handbook already in order to support the work of IFLA’s volunteers.

Resolution: The Governing Board resolved that the parts of the Handbook relevant to volunteers will be released in advance of the Handbook as a whole.

Resolution: The Governing Board resolved that upcoming work on the Handbook will include the planned section on IFLA HQ.

Resolution: The Governing Board resolved that the Secretary General would not be obliged to participate in the preparation of the text concerning IFLA HQ.

Resolution: That further preparation of the Handbook be done by HQ and the Parliamentarian with adequate opportunity for strategic input by a taskforce, and then review by the GB as a whole.

2.3 Volunteer expenses **GB 22-02-2.3**

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

2.4 Branding guidelines update **GB 22-02-2.4**

Resolution: The GB agreed to the proposed changes to the Branding Guidelines

3. Planning and Reporting

3.0 IT Security

The President noted that this matter would be discussed further in the Executive session.

3.1 Statement on Cybersecurity **GB 22-02-3.1**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.2 Statement on Online Storytimes **GB 22-02-3.2**

It was confirmed that the Children and Young Adults Section had been contacted regarding the Statement. This item was not discussed further due to lack of time

3.3 Open Access Information and IFLA Publishing **GB 22-02-3.3**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.4 Membership Development data **GB 22-02-3.4**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.5 IFLA Planning 2022 Update **GB 22-02-3.5**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.6 Advisory Committee Action Plans

3.6.1 FAIFE **GB-22-02-3.6.1**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.6.2 CLM **GB 22-02-3.6.2**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.6.3 ACH **GB 22-02-3.6.3**

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

3.6.4 ACS

GB 22-02-3.6.4

This item was not discussed due to lack of time

4. WLIC

4.1 WLIC 2022 Progress Report

GB 22-02-4.1

Resolution: The Governing Board noted the report.

5. Other issues

5.1 Any other business

The President noted that following the desire expressed to have a more open discussion at the April GB, this would involve extending the meeting by a day, to run from 5 to 8 April.

The President-elect proposed that for the 4 March GB meeting in London, those GB members coming from outside of Europe should have four nights hotel stays covered, in order to allow them to deal with jetlag, and suggested that such a step should be taken proactively in future. It was agreed that this would happen.

In camera: Executive Session

An in-camera session of the Governing Board followed.

Next Governing Board meeting dates:

Proposed 2022 dates:

5- 8 April 2022 – The Hague, Netherlands

24 July 2022 – Dublin, Ireland

29 July 2022 – Dublin, Ireland